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REPLY TO M/S ES-098

Ruth A. Nelson Associate General Council Marine Power & Equipment Inc. 1441 N. Northlake Way Seattle, Washington 98103

Dear Ms. Nelson:

On April 6, 1987, the EPA dive team investigated the Duwamish River bottom in the vicinity of the Marine Power and Equipment facilities. The purpose of the investigation was to determine the amount and extent of any sandblasting debris present there.

Over the entire area that the divers observed, only a light "dusting" of sandblasting grit was found on the river bottom near the west end of the syncro-lift and the dry dock. The areas underneath the syncro-lift and the dry dock were not investigated.

Given the small amount of sandblasting grit found during this particular survey, I don't believe that any removal of sandblasting debris, in this area, is necessary.

Sincerely.

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